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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Date: July 28, 1997
Docket No. PHB 33,946A
Prior Art Unit: 2612
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under ☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.60; ☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.62 of pending prior application Serial No. 08/366,339, filed on December 28, 1994 of GERRIT J. KEESMAN for BUFFER MANAGEMENT IN VARIABLE BIT-RATE COMPRESSION SYSTEMS.

1. ☐ As last amended, the title has been changed to
2. ☐ As last amended, the name of applicant has been changed to
3. ☐ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration. Applicant's undersigned attorney hereby states that these application papers comprise a true copy of the prior application as filed.
4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THIS APPLICATION					
For	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic fee	\$ 770
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Multiple Dependent Claims, if any (\$260)				=	
Total Filing Fee-----					\$770

5. ☒ Charge any fees which may be required, except for the Issue Fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.
6. ☐ Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
7. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:- This is a ☒ continuation ☐ division of application Serial No. 08/366,339, filed December 28, 1994.
8. ☐ Priority of application Serial No. , filed on in , is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
9. ☐ The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. , filed .
10. ☒ An appointment of associates is enclosed.

11. [X] Address all future communications to Corporate Patent Counsel, U.S. Philips Corporation, Patent Department, 580 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, New York 10591.
12. [X] A preliminary amendment to this application is enclosed.
13. [] Enter in this application the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 which was unentered in the prior application.



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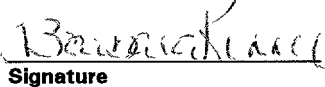
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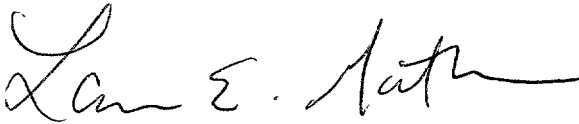
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This continuation is being filed to bring to the attention of
the Examiner the references cited therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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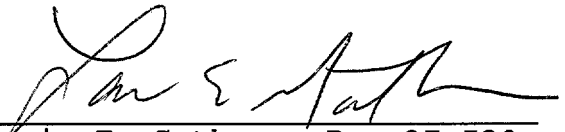
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LETTER TO OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN

Sir:

Enclosed are two sheets of formal drawings
for filing in the above-identified application.

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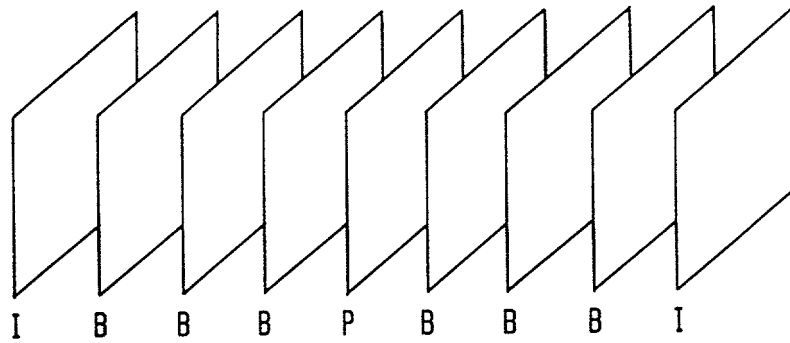


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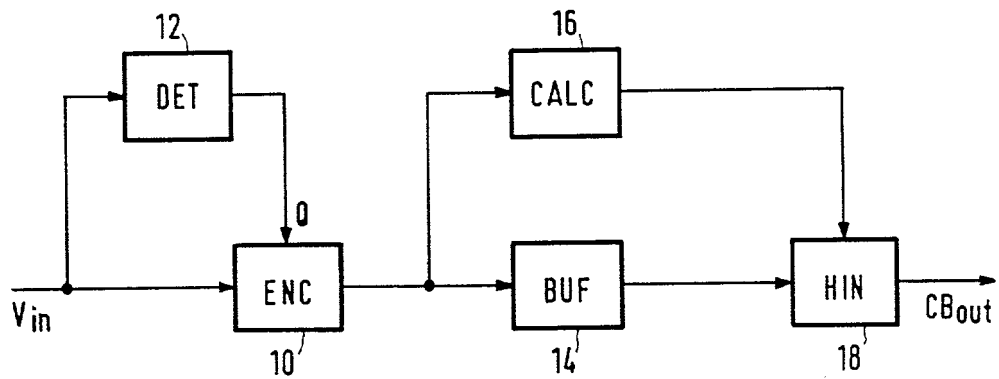


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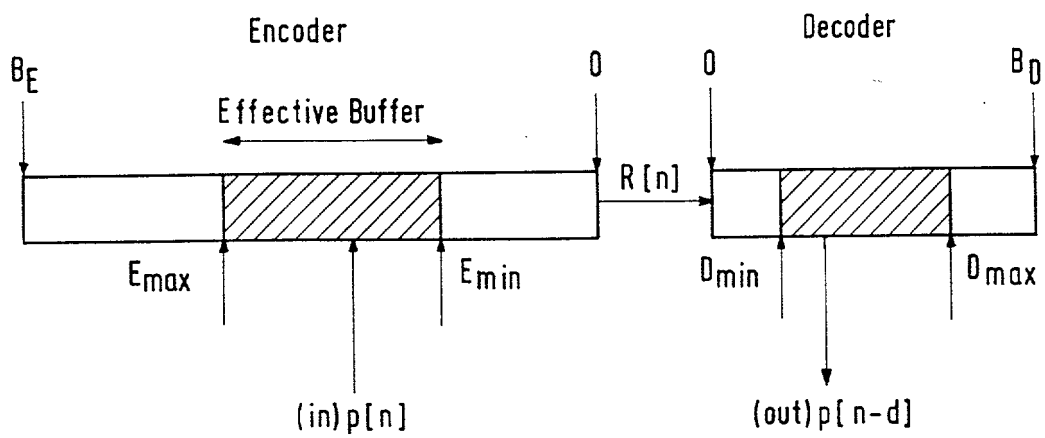


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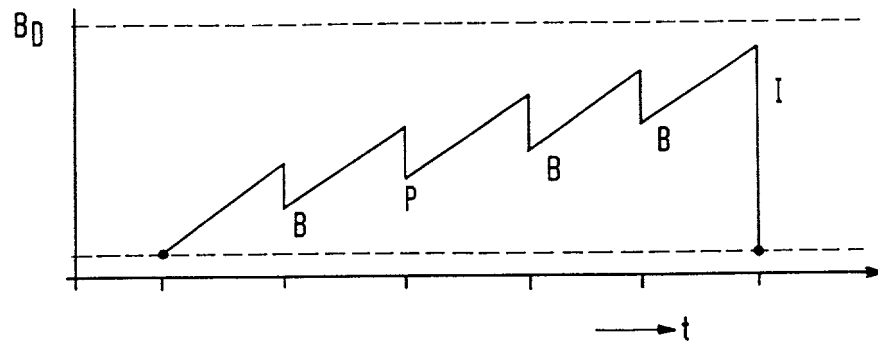


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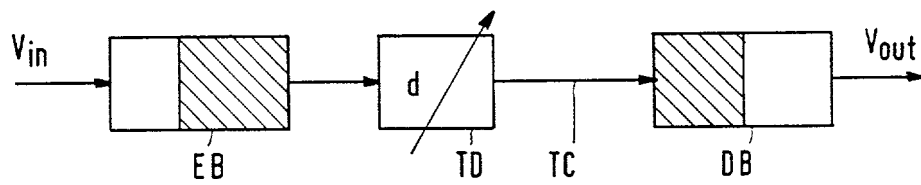


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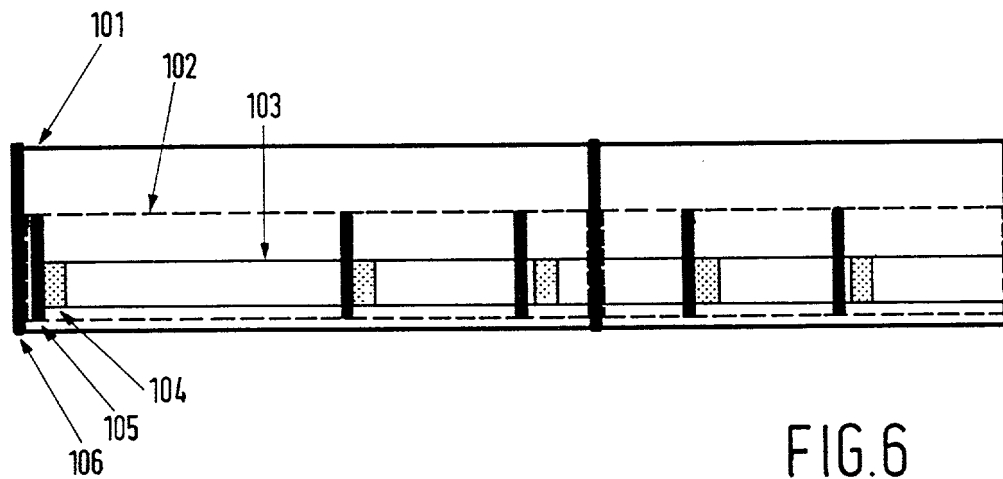


FIG. 6

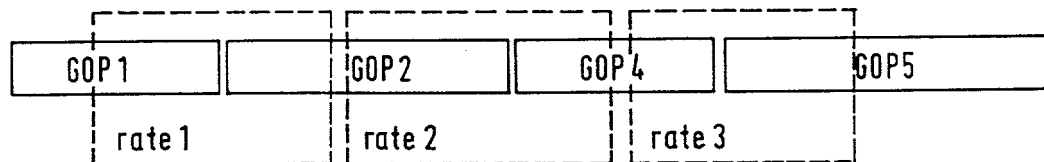


FIG. 7